

SENATE RESOLUTION 48

By Yager

A RESOLUTION to recognize Ashley Ellen Stoetzel of Oak Ridge on receiving the Girl Scout Gold Award.

WHEREAS, at a time when this nation's youth face difficult challenges, the Girl Scouts of America is one of our finest assets, providing young women with an educational program that contributes significantly to their character development, citizenship training, and improved mental and physical fitness; and

WHEREAS, Ashley Ellen Stoetzel of Oak Ridge, after considerable effort and diligent preparation, has earned the highest award a Girl Scout can attain, the prestigious Girl Scout Gold Award; and

WHEREAS, the Girl Scout Gold Award honors girls who demonstrate an exceptional commitment to their communities and an outstanding dedication to achievement; and

WHEREAS, to receive the award, Girl Scouts must complete five requirements, all of which demand efficient organizational, time management, and leadership skills; and

WHEREAS, further, a Girl Scout must build on her experiences in Girl Scouting to complete a Gold Award project, which provides an opportunity for her to put her leadership skills, career, interests, and personal values together to serve her community; and

WHEREAS, for her Gold Award project, Ms. Stoetzel collected, inventoried, sorted, and organized items to go into the kitchen of the New Youth Building at St. Mary's Catholic Church; she also made sure the pantry was stocked for the building's first month of operation; and

WHEREAS, Ashley Stoetzel is a senior at Oak Ridge High School, where she is in the top twenty percent of her class and is active in the National Honor Society, the Cross Country team, Drama Club, All-East and All-State choirs, and the International Thespian Society; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Stoetzel dedicates her time and energies as a volunteer at the Children's Museum and at the Oak Ridge Playhouse; she is also deeply devoted to her church, where she is active in her youth group and is a member of the Diocesan Youth Ministry Advisory Council; and

WHEREAS, Ashley has been a Girl Scout for thirteen years and is a member of Troop 292 in Oak Ridge; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to recognize Ashley Stoetzel as one of the most outstanding young people in our State; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby honor and commend Ashley Ellen Stoetzel for her meritorious service to the State of Tennessee, congratulate her on her achievement of the Girl Scout Gold Award, and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.